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RE: Sauget Area 2

Deliver by Overnight Mail

Dear Mike:

Attached is the Sauget Area 2 Sites Group monthly report for Sauget Area 2, as required under 2.4 of our Administrative Order by Consent. If you have any questions, please call.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Steve Smith", is written over a horizontal line.

Steven D. Smith
Project Coordinator

cc: Candy Morin - Illinois EPA
Kevin de la Bruere - U.S. Fish & Wildlife
Mike Henry - Illinois Department of Natural Resources
SA2SG File

SAUGET SITES - AREA 2
MONTHLY PROGRESS REPORT
For January 2001

Actions Taken

The following actions were carried out to achieve the objectives of the Area 2 Remedial Investigation / Feasibility Study:

- During January 2001 the SA2S6 interviewed several qualified environmental consultants with expertise in ecological risk assessments. The SA2S6 chose AMEC Earth & Technology as our ecological consultant.
- The group also interviewed environmental consultants qualified in the area of human health risk assessments. ENSR was chosen to perform the Human Health Risk Assessment for the Area 2 sites.
- Bids were received for the planned soil/water/groundwater sampling program. The SA2S6 has contracted with URS to perform this work.
- RFPs were issued and proposals were received to carry out the expected Data Validation and Mapping work. URS was chosen for this effort also.
- Work is underway preparing the RI/FS Support Sampling Plan and the various supporting documentation.

Analytical Results

- No data was validated during the month.

Actions or Plans Scheduled for Next Month

- Complete and submit the RI/FS Support Sampling Plan and all of the supporting documents.

4: Schedule

- The SA2SG is working towards the RI/FS Support Sampling Plan deliverable, due February 22, 2001.